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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

(Case No. 00,659-A)

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In the Application of:

Shuqian Jing

Serial No. 09/995,515

Filed: November 28, 2001

For: Transforming Growth Factor-Beta-Related
Molecules and Uses Thereof



Before the Examiner:

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Please consider the following amendments and remarks before examination on the merits.

AMENDMENTS

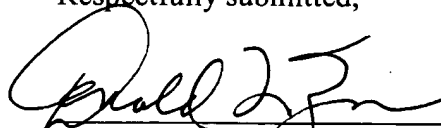
In the specification:

At page 7, line 21, please delete "Figures 1A-1B" and insert --Figure 1-- therefore.

REMARKS

If there are any questions or comments regarding this Response or application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned agent as indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,


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Date: February 14, 2002